



NIGHTWING

**BLOCK-
BUSTER...**

RAPTOR...

**...DEADLIER
TOGETHER!**

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The moon rises over the city of Blüdhaven.



First, it shines down on the **Tail's End**, where families eat fragrant dinners on their patios with the grandparents who first stepped foot on this shore.



Then its silver light illuminates the **Meadowdale Mall**, forcing customers to hide their black-market purchases in blue-gray shadows.



In the Brazilian neighborhood of **Ports Park**, the moon dances off metal sequins as it moves westward.



On the **Boardwalk**, the moon competes for tourists' attention with neon signs and barkers.

The moon teases me. Beckons me to follow it off to some new place, some new performance like I did when I was a kid. When I was one of the **Flying Graysons**.



But tonight I'm going to resist its flirtations.

In Blüdhaven, I've found a place that keeps me grounded.



Well...figuratively speaking anyway.

Here I have a home.
A life. A job. Friends...

ALL OFFICERS.
THERE IS A 10-26 IN
PROGRESS AT CITY HALL.
ARMED ASSAILANTS
REPORTED IN...
-Ahem-...SNAKE
COSTUMES.

...and plenty to
keep me busy.

RAPTOR'S REVENGE

PART ONE

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WHAT THE HELL KIND OF CRIME BOSS DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?

YOU SOLD US THESE HIGH-TECH WEAPONS FROM THE *SECOND HAND*, BUT NOW LOOK AT 'EM!

THEY'RE FALLING APART LIKE DOLLAR STORE CRAP!

TO MAKE IT WORSE, EVERY LOWLIFE FROM GOTHAM TO STAR CITY IS TAKING THE OPPORTUNITY TO HIT US BACK AFTER YOU TRIED TO BLOW 'EM ALL UP!

WE NEED LEADERSHIP IN THIS TOWN, AND ALL WE'VE GOTTEN FROM THE ENIGMATIC MR. ROLAND DESMOND IS EMPTY PROMISES.

YOUR ARGUMENT'S BEEN HEARD, MS. MARREL. I ADMIT THERE'VE BEEN SOME... BUMPS.

BUT GIMME SOME TIME, AND I'LL MAKE IT RIGHT.

YEAH, THAT'S NOT GOOD ENOUGH.

ORCA?



WHEN I CAME BACK TO THIS CITY, I PROMISED I'D KICK OUT THE OUTSIDERS WHO WERE TAKIN' ADVANTAGE OF IT.



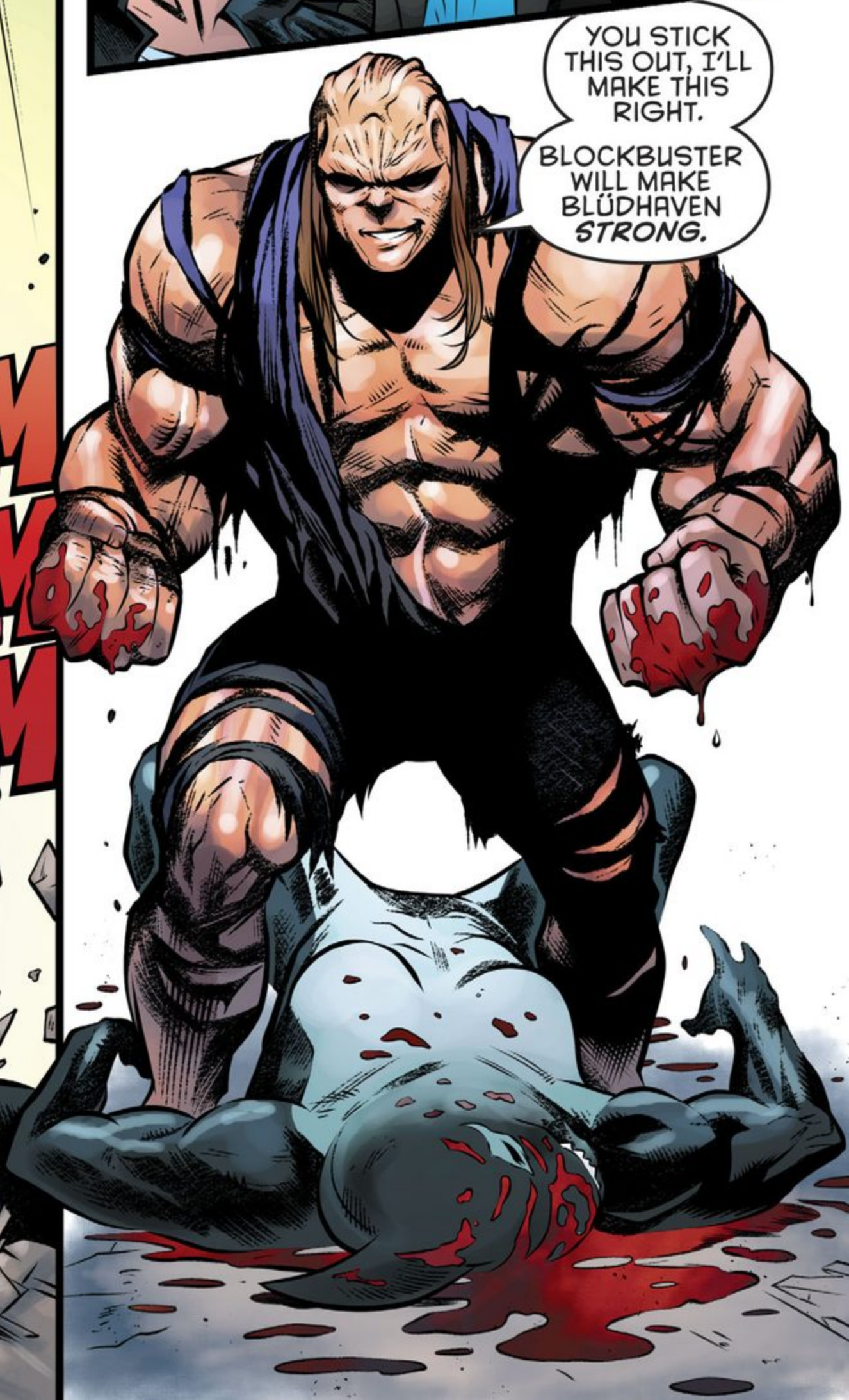
IT WAS WORKIN' JUST FINE, UNTIL **NIGHTWING** SHOWED UP AND PUSHED US DOWN.

BUT SOMETIMES THE BEST THING FOR YA IS GETTIN' A LI'L **HURT**.



YOU FALL DOWN, YOU FIND OUT WHERE YOU'RE **WEAK**.

MON DIEU.



YOU STICK THIS OUT, I'LL MAKE THIS RIGHT.
BLOCKBUSTER WILL MAKE **BLÜDHAVEN STRONG**.





Despite winning in a landslide, Senator Pollito has been struggling and unpopular lately...

...ever since he backed his party's healthcare bill, which cuts support for the poor to fund a massive tax cut for the wealthiest Americans.

Hence this twelve grand a head fundraiser.

The bluebloods of the Blüd paying what is, for some, a year's wage, to dine on wine and pasta and ensure they never have to share with the little people again.

It's enough to make me want to bounce on out of here myself and throw away what Batman taught me...

And that's when I realize who's behind this.

I've been fearing this for months, since I found out he was released from prison, knowing it'd only be a matter of time...

DON'T YOU WORRY, RHETT.



...before
Raptor came to
Blüdhaven.

I CAN'T
HAVE **TRUE**
JUSTICE AND TAKE
AWAY YOUR CUSHY
GOVERNMENT HEALTH
INSURANCE.

Once, Raptor
helped me bring the
Parliament of Owls
off their gilded
perches.

WHRR-TIK

BUT
I CAN MAKE SURE
YOU NEED TO USE
A WHOLE LOT
OF IT.

He was my
partner.

My mentor.

But then he tried to kill
Bruce Wayne for taking
me away from the circus life
and putting me in his world
of wealth and privilege.

He's the most
dangerous enemy
I've ever faced.

WHNF!

SLLCH

YOU'RE--YOU'RE
NIGHTWING. THE
SUPERHERO FROM
GOTHAM.

YEP.
AND YOU'RE
THE GUY I DIDN'T
VOTE FOR.

Because
sometimes?

THIS...THIS IS
YOUR FAULT! YOU
BROUGHT THIS TO
BLÜDHAVEN!

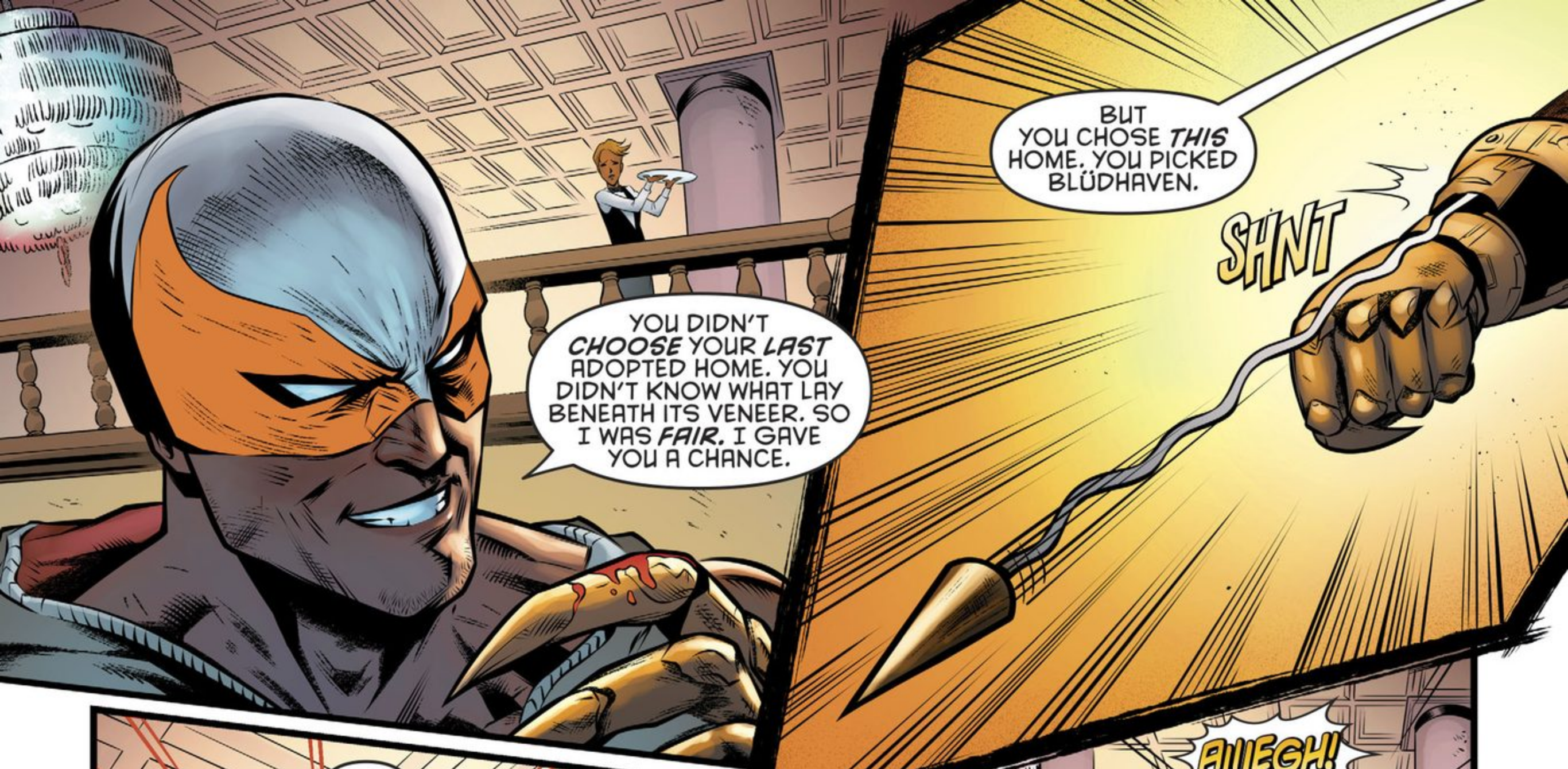
→Sigh←

I get him.

YOUR
BLOOD STILL
RUNS BLUE.

I WAS
WAITING TO SEE
YOU, NIGHTWING. I WAS
HOPING YOU'D CHANGED.
I THOUGHT MAYBE IF I
GAVE YOU A LITTLE MORE
TIME YOU'D FOLLOW
MY LEAD.

BUT
HERE YOU ARE,
SAVING ANOTHER
TRUST-FUND-BABY
POWER-FIEND IN A
DESIGNER
SUIT.



BUT YOU CHOSE *THIS* HOME. YOU PICKED BLÜDHAVEN.

SHNT





He believed in his "brand." That he stands for the "little guy." The "working people."

Raptor is a thief. He's an anarchist. But he has his own set of principles.

The Raptor I knew would never endanger the life of a blue-collar worker.

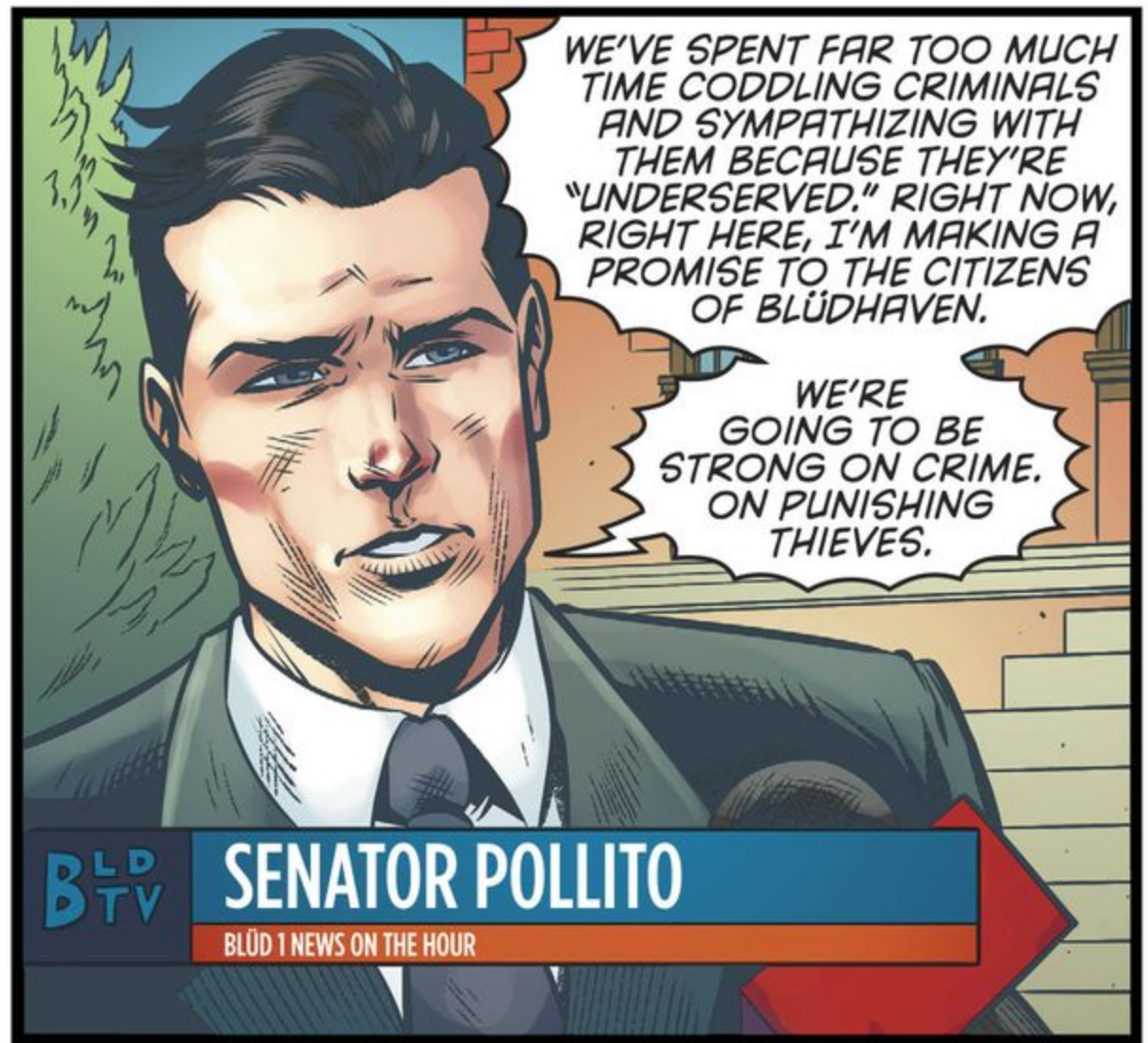
Especially not a waitress just trying to get by on a few dollars in tips by slinging hors d'oeuvres to elites.

What changed? Where the hell is the guy I thought I knew?

KAALLI-YUGAAA...

He's...

GONE.





Hmm.



YOU'RE NOT HERE. DO I NEED TO REMIND YOU HOW LITTLE TIME WE HAVE TOGETHER?

SORRY. I'VE GOT RAPTOR ON THE BRAIN. I COVERED A GOOD TWENTY BLOCKS. HE JUST DISAPPEARED. HE'S DEFINITELY UP TO SOMETHING.



MORE THIEVERY I SUSPECT. HE'S NOT SPECIAL, DICK. HE'S JUST ANOTHER GANGSTER. FIND HIM. STOP HIM.

AND THEN COME BACK TO GOTHAM SO WE CAN TRACK DOWN THE REMAINS OF THE *FENICE MAFIA*, TOGETHER.



HELENA. WE TALKED ABOUT THIS--

YES. THIS CITY NEEDS YOU. BUT I PUT MYSELF FULLY INTO EVERYTHING I DO, WHETHER THAT'S SPY, SUPERHERO OR YOUR LOVER.



I WANT TO BE *FOR* YOU, WHAT YOU ARE *TO ME*...

HEY! *TIGHTS!* IF YOU THINK I'M GONNA GO DIGGIN' THROUGH GARBAGE TO FIND YOU, YOU'RE NUTS!



...AND I WON'T BE SECOND TO ANYONE OR ANYTHING.



DETECTIVE SVOBODA. THANKS FOR MEETING ME.

JEEZ, KID! I JUST ABOUT CRAPPED.



HERE. SO, THOSE CULTIST KOOKS YOU HANDED US WERE PRETTY HAPPY TO SPILL.

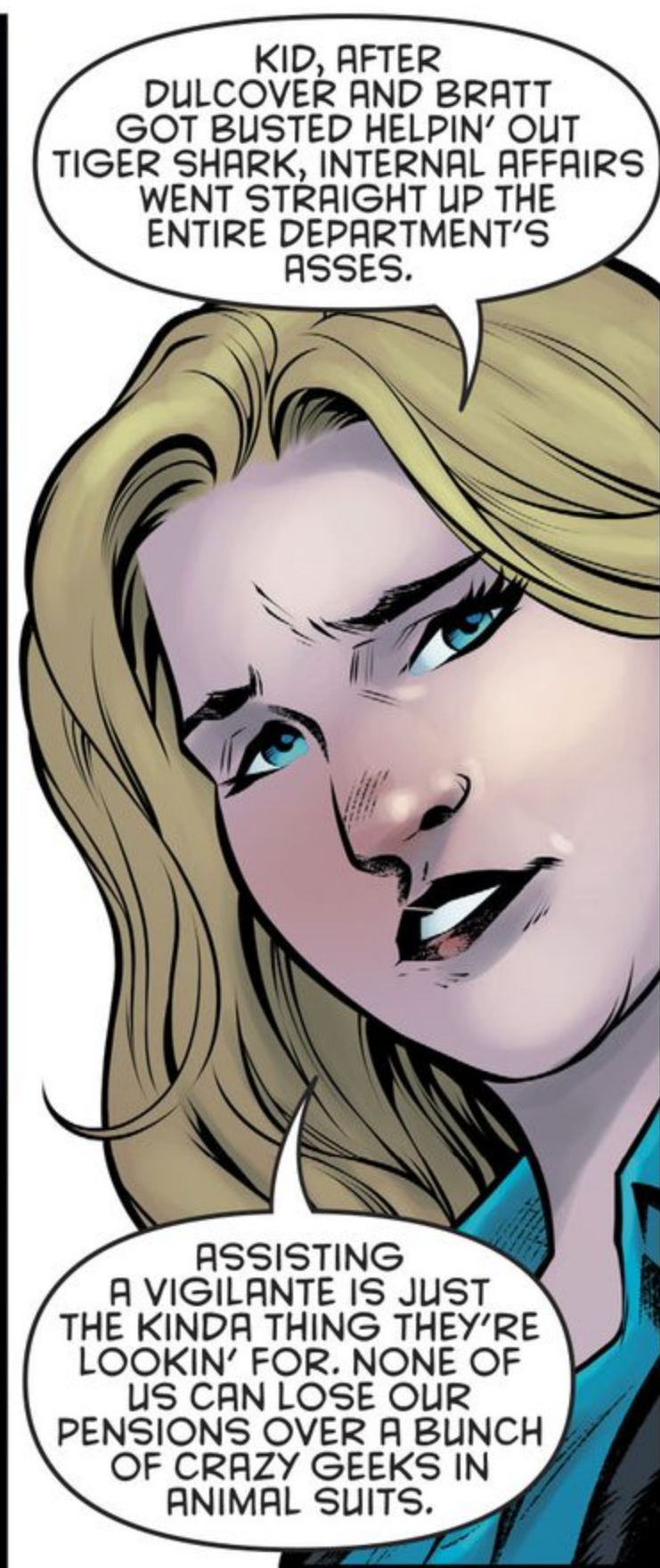
ON RAPTOR'S WHEREABOUTS?

NO. JUST SOME CRAZY STUFF ABOUT HOW THE BIRD GUY PROMISED THEM CALI YUGO OR WHATEVER.



ONE OF 'EM WENT ON ABOUT HOW THEY WEREN'T AFRAID OF GOIN' TO JAIL, BECAUSE WHEN THE CHAOS COMES, PRISONS WOULD BE THE LAST SAFE PLACE IN BLUDHAVEN.

WAIVED THEIR RIGHTS TO A LAWYER, EVEN.





I'll give Svoboda one thing. She's confident.

Without her, I'm going to need another pair of eyes to be on the lookout for Raptor.

And some fists. Lots of fists.

HEY!



EX-SUPER-VILLAINS OF GOTHAM CLUB MEETING'S BEEN CANCELLED. AND THE WAY IT'S GOIN', IT LOOKS LIKE THAT MIGHT BE A PERMANENT SCENARIO.

SO WHY DON'T YOU SKEDADDLE, NIGHTWING?



SHAWN.
PLEASE.



LOOK,
I'M SORRY ABOUT
HOW THINGS HAVE
GONE. I WISH I DIDN'T
HAVE TO DO THIS BUT
I NEED SOME EYES
AND EARS ON THE
STREETS. I NEED
YOUR HELP.



IN CASE
YOU DON'T
REMEMBER, IT WAS
HELPIN' YOU THAT
GOT OUR FRIEND
GIZ KILLED.

HE
WENT OUT ON
HIS OWN. IT WAS A
MISTAKE. I HAVE TO
LIVE WITH WHAT
HAPPENED.

BUT
GIZ SAVED
HUNDREDS, MAYBE
THOUSANDS OF
LIVES--

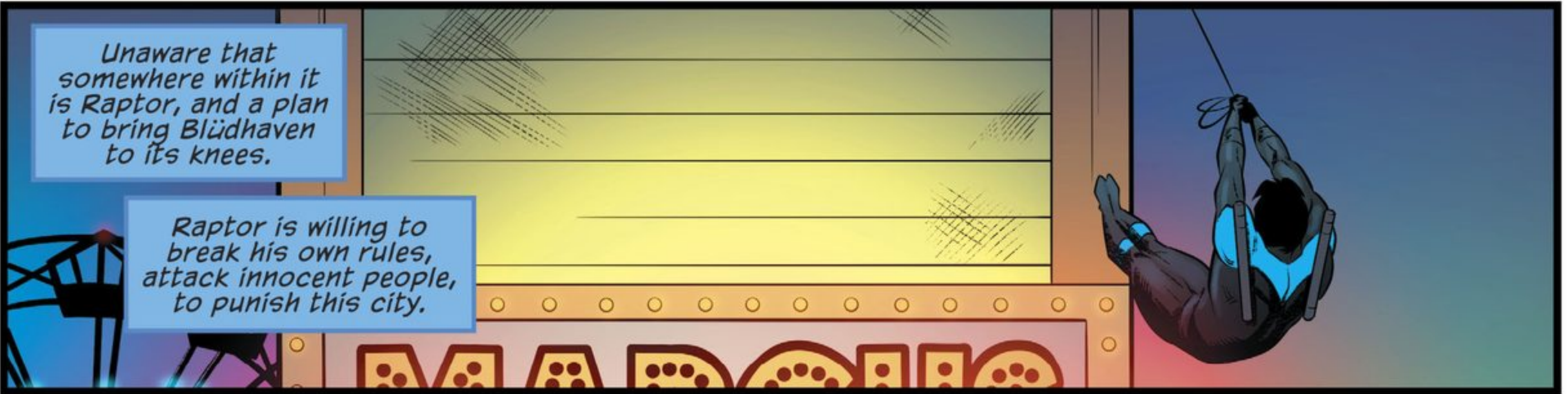


DAMN IT, MAN.
I *SAID*...





The last of its waning light shines down a city that's just waking up...



Unaware that somewhere within it is Raptor, and a plan to bring Blüdhaven to its knees.

Raptor is willing to break his own rules, attack innocent people, to punish this city.



Because he knows I've come to love it.



I brought this here. And as much as I need my friends and allies, I can't endanger them further.



Leaving me with one choice.



NIGHTWING.

I NEED YOUR CONNECTIONS AND KNOWLEDGE.



IF YOU HELP ME FIND AND STOP THE MAN CALLED RAPTOR...



...I'LL LEAVE
BLÜDHAVEN
FOREVER.

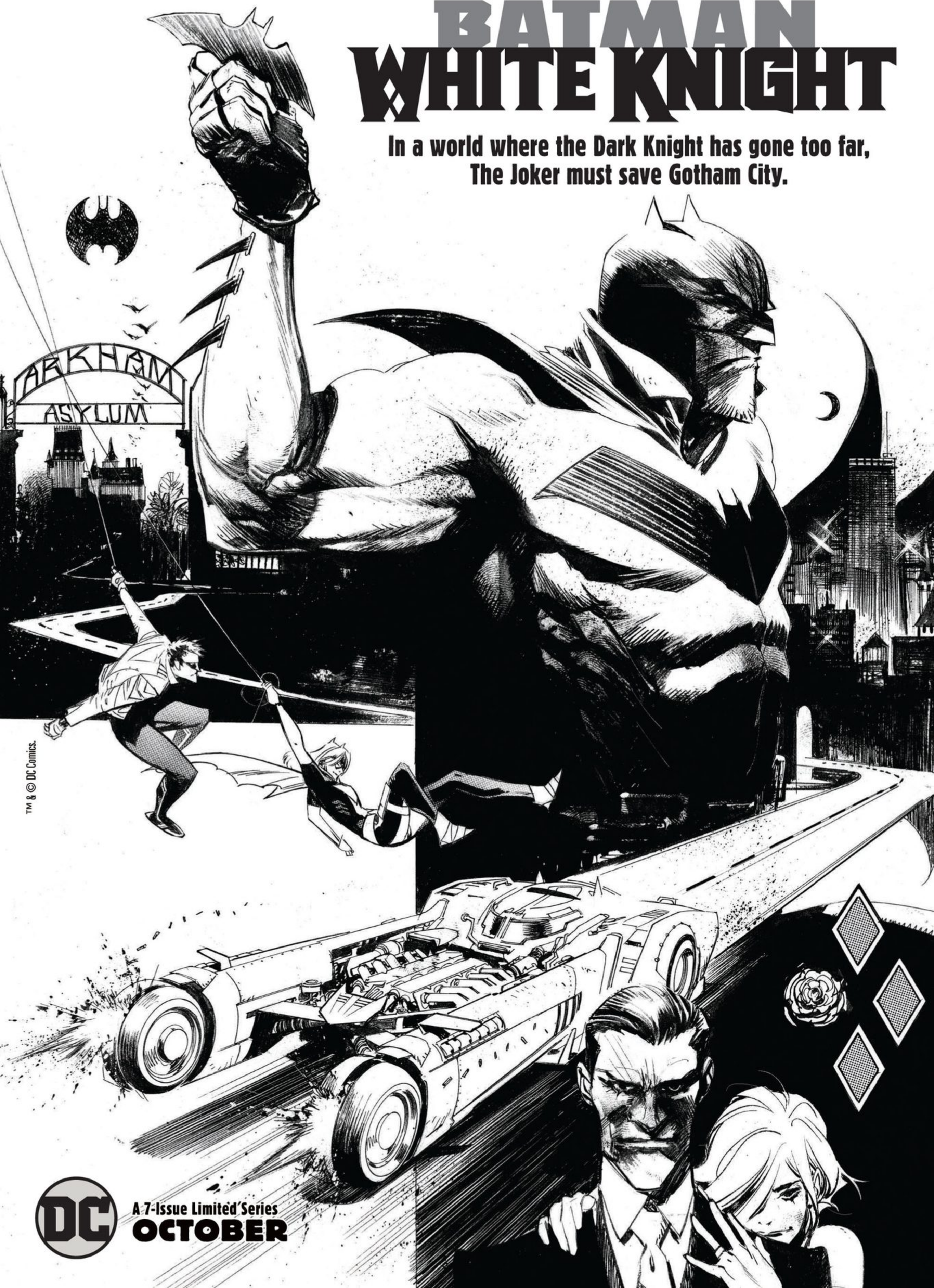
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The Joker must save Gotham City.



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I SEE
GOTHAM MORE
CLEARLY THAN ANY
OF YOU...

...BUT YOU
WON'T ADMIT
IT.

TO YOU,
I'M JUST A
PSYCHO IN
MAKEUP.

YOU
LEFT ME NO
CHOICE...

...BUT TO
COME HERE
TONIGHT...

...TO
PROVE IT TO
YOU...

...WITH
THESE.

IF I
CAN GET
BETTER, I
CAN GET THIS
CITY BACK ON
TRACK...

...FINALLY
SHOW YOU...

...THAT
YOU NEED
ME.

FINE.



YOU WANT TO GET BETTER?

THEN OPEN UP!

GLCKH



OH NO...



CHRIST...



BRUCE, DON'T...



ACKKK... CAN'T...



...BREATHE...



POLICE LINE

TONIGHT WE'RE DISCUSSING THE **BATGATE** SCANDAL: STUNNING FOOTAGE OF BATMAN'S ASSAULT ON THE JOKER HAS GONE VIRAL...

...CAUSING MANY TO QUESTION THE **GCPD** AND THE DARK KNIGHT'S METHODS.

GOTHAM INSIDER

THANK GOD THEY **CAUGHT** HIM.

THE POLICE HAVE ALWAYS DENIED HAVING ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE DARK KNIGHT. GORDON'S NEVER OFFICIALLY ADMITTED THAT HE EVEN EXISTS, AND NOW WE HAVE HIM ON CAMERA **STANDING BY** WHILE BATMAN VICIOUSLY ATTACKS THE JOKER.

BUT THE **GCPD** HAS NEVER SUCCESSFULLY **CONVICTED** HIM OF ANYTHING MORE THAN ARMED ROBBERY, DESPITE HIS PERCEIVED REPUTATION.

THE COPS NEED OUR SUPPORT, MAGGIE. GOTHAM IS THE BIRTHPLACE OF SUPER-CRIMINALS. I DON'T CARE WHAT **IS** AND **ISN'T** LEGAL--THIS CITY NEEDS BATMAN.

YES, BUT WHERE'S THE ACCOUNTABILITY? IF THE **POLICE** WON'T STOP BATMAN FROM CROSSING THE LINE, THEN WHO WILL? THE OPTICS ON THIS ARE TERRIBLE, AND IT ONLY MAKES THINGS WORSE FOR THE **GCPD** WHO ARE ALREADY PLAGUED WITH ACCUSATIONS OF CORRUPTION AND POLICE BRUTALITY.

SO WHAT?! THE JOKER IS GOTHAM'S GREATEST VILLAIN, A PSYCHOPATH WITH A LONG HISTORY OF VIOLENCE, AND A KNACK FOR MANIPULATING THE SYSTEM--EVERYONE KNOWS THAT.

THAT WAS THE PREVIOUS COMMISSIONER--GORDON HAS BEEN WORKING HARD TO OVERTURN PUBLIC OPINION. THE **STWs** NEED TO GIVE HIM A CHANCE!

THE CITY IS DIVIDED, AND PROTESTERS ARE DEMANDING ANSWERS. WHERE DOES GORDON GO FROM HERE? AND WHAT EXACTLY **IS** HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH BATMAN?

GOTHAM INSIDER

I NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE THE DAY WHEN PEOPLE WOULD BE OUT ON THE STREETS **DEFENDING** SOMEONE LIKE THE JOKER.

BATMAN'S A MANIAC. GLAD PEOPLE ARE **FINALLY** STARTING TO SEE IT.



BATMAN HAS SAVED THE LIVES OF **DOZENS OF COPS**, BULLOCK. EVEN YOURS!



ALLOWING A WEIRDO TO FIGHT CRIME IN HIS **UNDERWEAR**-- WHAT KIND OF CITY LETS THAT HAPPEN?

THE **GCPD** HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH BATMAN, REMEMBER? FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, WE'RE NOT EVEN **HAVING** THIS CONVERSATION.



NO OFFENSE, COMMISSIONER, BUT THAT'S **BULLSHIT**.

I WANTED TO **ARREST** BATMAN, BUT YOU WANTED TO SIT BACK AND DO NOTHING WHILE HE BEAT NAPIER UNCONSCIOUS. THAT LOOPHOLE ISN'T GOING TO WORK ANYMORE.

IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME...



THE JOKER'S RIGHT: IF BATMAN HAD BEEN WEARING A BADGE, YOU'D CHARGE HIM WITH **ASSAULT**!

HOW IS HE?

NOT SURE YET. HASN'T SAID A WORD SINCE WE BROUGHT HIM BACK TO ARKHAM.

WE DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THOSE PILLS-- THE SIDE EFFECTS, DOSAGE, NOTHING. HOW DID HE EVEN **KNOW** ABOUT THEM?

IS HE GOING TO BE OKAY?



PROBABLY-- NAPIER'S ONE TOUGH SON OF A BITCH.

BUT I'LL BE HONEST...



COMEDY

CITIZEN
OR
BUST

"...HE'S NOT
THE ONE I'M
WORRIED
ABOUT."

HOW MANY
GODS DOES IT
TAKE TO
CHANGE A
LIGHTBULB?
IT ONLY TAKES
ONE BATMAN!

COMEDY NIGHT
FEATURING
NEWCOMER
JACK NAPIER

NAPIER BONDS

WHY
DON'T
YOU
LOVE
ME?

THE
GODS
ARE
GONE
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THE
GODS
ARE
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QUINZEL
BY
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FALLS
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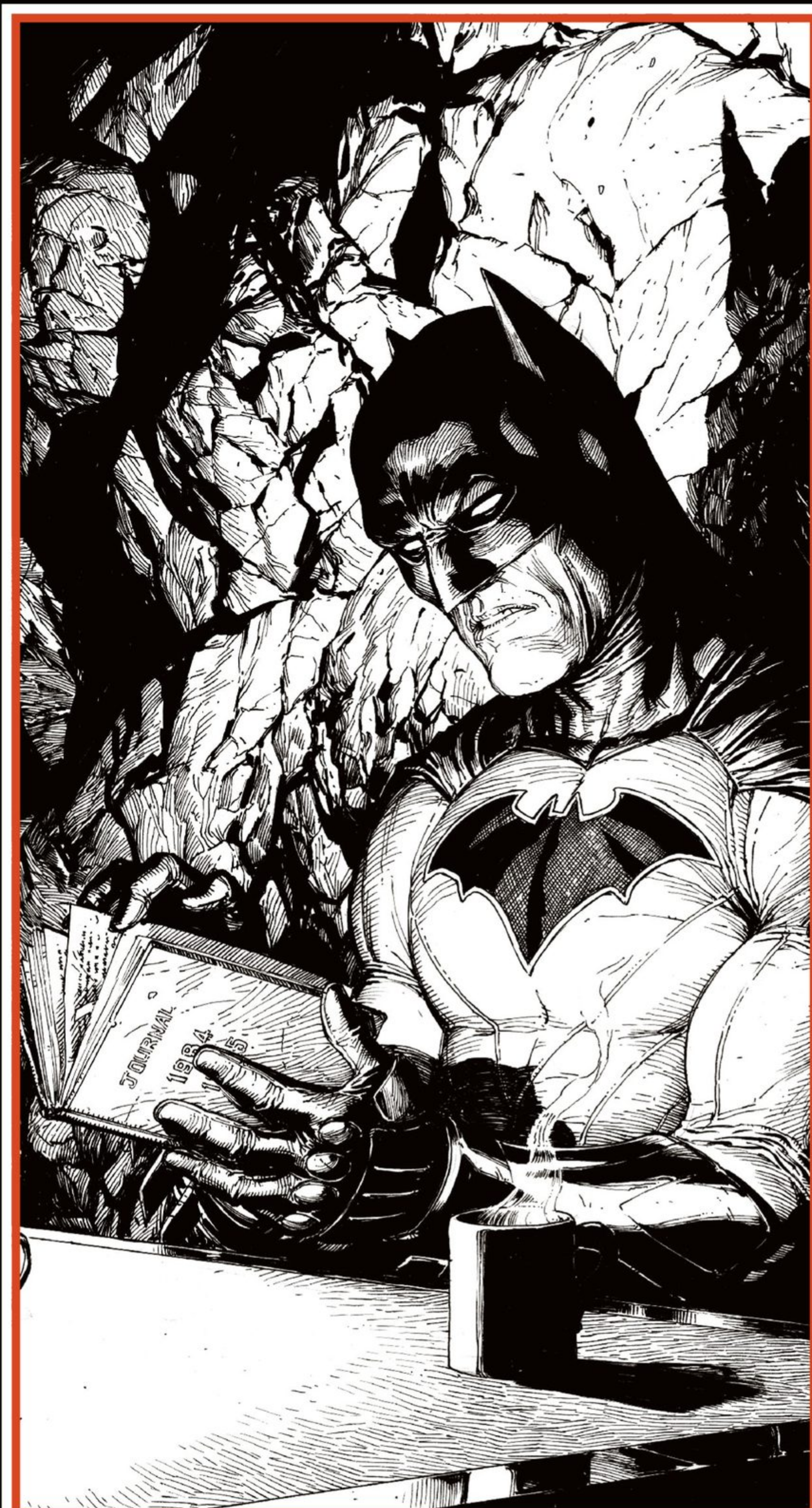


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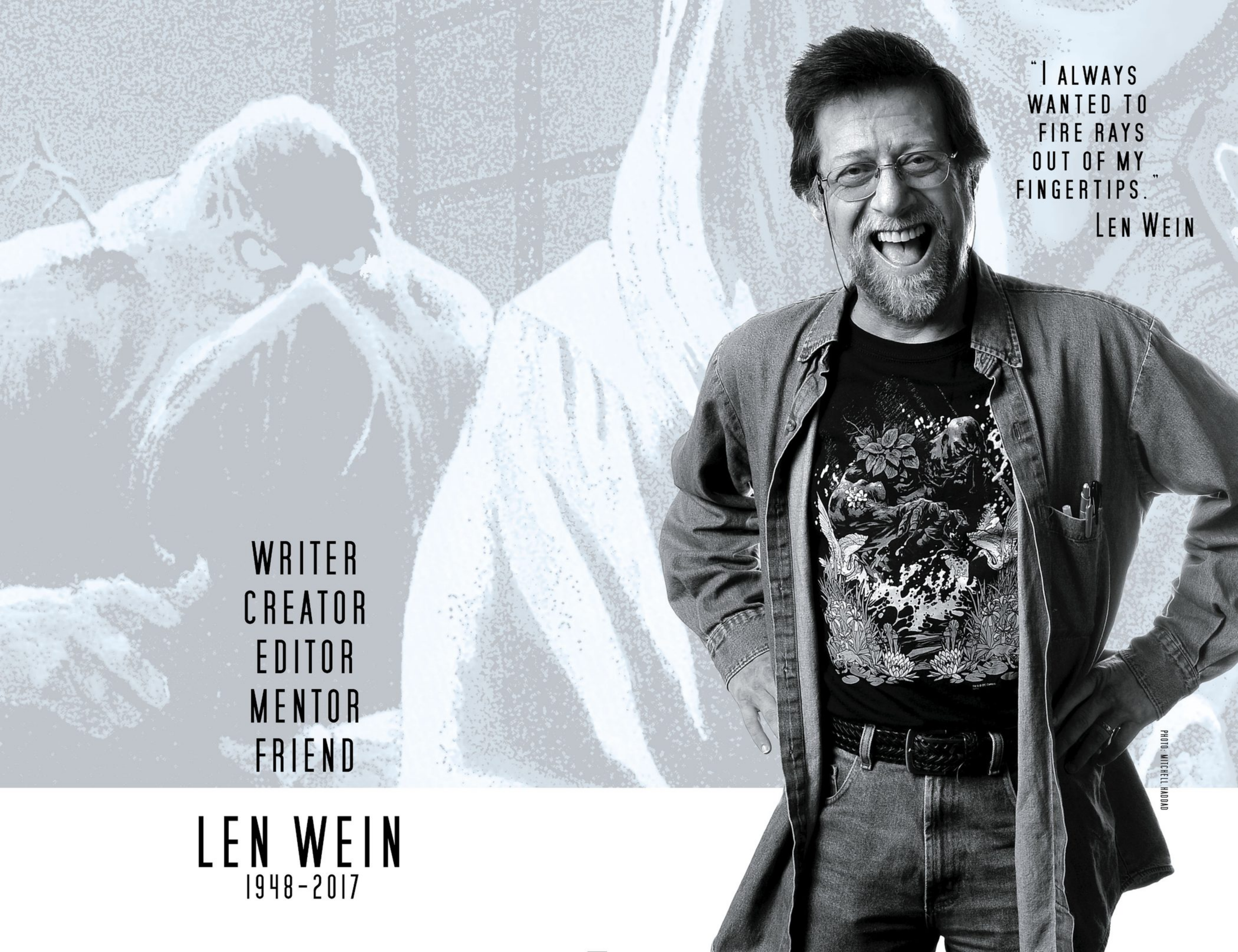
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you will know truth."

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WANTED TO
FIRE RAYS
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